



DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

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I am pleased to invite you to the White Flint Sector Plan Amenities Charette which is being conducted by the Montgomery County Department of General Services. As you know, the White Flint Sector Plan has put into place the framework for developing a vibrant, transit-oriented mixed-use walkable urban area. The County Executive is working to implement the White Flint Sector Plan vision. In keeping with this vision, the Montgomery County Executive and several County Agencies, along with our development partners at White Flint, have joined together to sponsor a community charrette process to plan for certain of the public amenities in accordance with the recently adopted White Flint Sector Plan.

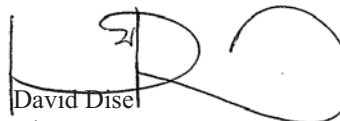
These planned public amenities include (but are not limited to) a new recreation center, a neighborhood library, community meeting spaces, a civic green, a satellite Regional County Services Center, modifications to Wall Park, and a recreation loop that will link these facilities to each other and to locations and amenities throughout the Sector Plan area. These amenities offer the opportunity for significant “placemaking” to help define the existing and emerging White Flint as an exciting place to live and visit. They will be integral to the quality of life experienced by the community that exists today and the new communities of tomorrow. It is critically important that the planning for these amenities include the input and vision of all stakeholders.

We invite you to participate in helping to shape the implementation of this exciting vision. We will hold the first work session for planning the public amenities on June 1, 2011 and the presentation on June 16, 2011 at Walter Johnson High School cafeteria from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. At the meeting examples of world-class, community defining facilities will be presented and the master planned facilities will be reviewed to lay the groundwork for breakout group discussions to facilitate our understanding of your ideas and vision for how these public amenities can be implemented to leverage their benefit to the overall area.

Some key concepts for consideration will include meeting the objectives of the White Flint Sector Plan; implementing these amenities to meet existing and emerging community needs; how these facilities can help shape the identity of White Flint as a world-class destination and place to live, work, shop, dine and play; developing facilities that will be sustainable environmentally, operationally, and programmatically; and planning facilities that are coordinated without undue repetition between what is publicly and privately provided so that a broad range of needs, interests and affordability can be served.

We want your vision! Please plan on joining us in this important endeavor.

Very truly yours,


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